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REMARKS

Applicant thanks the Examiner for his thoughtful review of the present application. The status of the claims is as follows:

- a. **Claims 1-20 are Pending** in the present application.
- b. **Claims 1-16** are allowed.
- c. **Claims 17-20** have been canceled.
- d. **Claims 17-20** are rejected.

No new matter has been added with this amendment.

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i. ARGUMENT

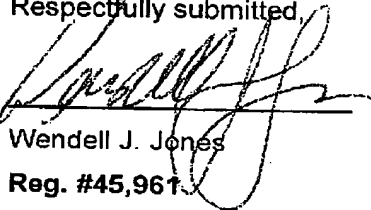
a. Rejection of Claims 17-20 under 35 U.S.C. §102 (870 Reference)

Applicant asserts that Claims 17-20 have been canceled with the filing of this amendment. Therefore, the Examiner's rejection under 35 U.S.C. §102 ought to now be withdrawn.

ii. CONCLUSION

Applicant now believes the present case to be in condition for allowance. Therefore, the Applicant respectfully requests a Notice of Allowance for this application from the Examiner.

Respectfully submitted



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